Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sunday, October 19, 2003, has been designated as Catholic Daughters of the Americas Day by the National Board with the theme "Walking with Mary in the New Millennium"; and,

Whereas, Mary Immaculate is the patroness of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and the United States of America; and,

Whereas, In this centennial year of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, we celebrate a milestone of dedicated women who have served as role models of Mary; and,

Whereas, In unity and charity, Catholic Daughters of the Americas emulate the dignity, humility and gentleness of our Blessed Mother, the seat of wisdom and love; and,

Whereas, We offer prayers to our heavenly Mother Mary for guidance and courage to face the future with faith, hope and love:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 19, 2003, as

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State